

| | | | |
|---|---|---------------------|------------------|
| Substitute for form 1449A/PTO | | Complete if Known | |
| SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT | | Application Number | 09/711,049 |
| | | Confirmation No. | 6084 |
| | | Filing Date | November 9, 2000 |
| | | First Inventor | Masahito NIIKAWA |
| | | Group Art Unit | 2114 |
| | | Examiner Name | Anne L. Damiano |
| | | Attorney Docket No. | 15162/02720 |
| Sheet | 1 | of | 1 |

**SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

MAY 02 2005

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials | | OFFICE | NUMBER | CODE | PUBLICATION DATE (mm/dd/yy) | TRANSLATION Yes | TRANSLATION No |
|-------------------|-----|--------|-----------|------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| MD | (1) | JP | 9-297694 | A | 11/18/97 | X | |
| MD | (2) | JP | 11-252298 | A | 09/17/99 | X | |
| MD | (3) | JP | 9-261550 | A | 10/03/97 | X | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| | | | |
|--------------------|--|-----------------|---------|
| Examiner Initials | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Examiner Signature |  | Date Considered | 7/19/05 |

***EXAMINER:** Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with the next communication to applicant.